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**BAY AREA HEALTH CARE EXECUTIVE ORDERED TO PAY \$15,000
TO NATIONAL CENTER FOR MISSING & EXPLOITED CHILDREN AS
PART OF SENTENCE FOR RECEIPT / DISTRIBUTION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

FRESNO—United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that the Honorable Oliver W. Wanger, U.S. District Judge in Fresno, California sentenced RAYMOND H. ("BEAU") CARTER, II, 61, of Oakland, California to a term of imprisonment of 36 months as a result of his conviction for receipt of images depicting minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct (child pornography). The court also ordered the payment of a \$25,000 fine with \$15,000 of the fine to be in the form of a payment to the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children.

The sentence is to be served at the Federal Correctional Complex in Butner, North Carolina, and requires the defendant to participate in the federal sex offender treatment program there. Once CARTER is released from federal prison, he will be required to register as a sex offender, complete a term of supervised release of 36 months, reside for twelve months at a community corrections center in the Los Angeles area, and participate in an additional intensive sex offender treatment program in the Los Angeles area for at least 12 months.

According to Assistant United States Assistant Attorney David Gappa, who prosecuted the case, CARTER was initially prosecuted by the Stanislaus County District Attorney's Office for using the Internet to arrange a meeting in Turlock, California to attempt to commit lewd and lascivious acts with two minor females and their custodian. The state case was dismissed in favor of federal prosecution. In a plea agreement, the defendant admitted that between January 23, 1998, and September 22, 2003, he had knowingly received visual depictions of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct (child pornography), that some of the depictions were of prepubescent children, and that some of the images depicted violence or sadomasochistic conduct. At the time of his arrest CARTER had been employed as the Executive Director for the Integrated Health Care Association of California, a statewide leadership group of California health plans, physician groups and health care systems, plus academic consumer, purchaser and pharmaceutical representatives. Most recently he was a consultant for San Francisco based Med-Vantage, Inc., a management consulting and health care information company.

The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, who will receive the \$15,000 payment as part of the sentence, was established to help prevent child abduction and sexual exploitation, help find missing children, and assist victims of child abduction and sexual

exploitation, their families, and the professionals who serve them. The organization maintains a Cybertipline and an Exploited Child Unit as vital resources for reporting Child Sexual Exploitation and for responding to the reports.

"The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children works to help eliminate the exploitation of children. With this money, NCMEC can provide continued services that help exploited children and their families. This judgment sends a message to those who possess child pornography that you will be caught and you will be held accountable for your actions," said John Rabun, NCMEC's Vice President and Chief Operating Officer.

"Aggressively prosecuting those who would exploit our children remains a top priority for the Justice Department. The National Center for Missing & Exploited Children is an important ally in protecting children," stated United States Attorney Scott.

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